



Memorandum

To: Wayne Pickus, P.E.

From: John E. Newby, P.E., G.E.

Date: February 22, 2007

Subject: USG Plaster City Landfill Stability

A. Background

The stability of the Plaster City Gypsum Landfill cover was evaluated by CDM as part of the design for the final cover of the landfill. The analysis and this report were conducted in accordance with CIWMB requirements as noted in CCR Section 21750 (f) (5) Stability Analysis.

B. Site Geology and Seismicity

CDM (and its predecessor, AGI) have conducted engineering and environmental studies at the USG Plaster City facility since the 1980's. The geology and hydrogeology of the landfill were initially evaluated by AGI in 1987-1988 and presented in *Solid Waste Assessment Test [SWAT], US Gypsum, Plaster City, California*.

As part of the SWAT, ten (10) soil borings were drilled in the landfill to a maximum depth of 53 feet. The soil borings indicate that the landfill is underlain by Older Alluvium (Qc) then the Palm Spring Formation (Pcp). Older Alluvium consists of poorly sorted, semi-consolidated silts, sands and gravel. The Palm Spring Formation underlies the Older Alluvium and is composed of a thick sequence of weakly to moderately consolidated interbedded light gray non-marine arkosic sandstone, fine-grained light brown sand and reddish clay.

During a November 1987 earthquake, a NE trending left lateral fault was discovered approximately 3,300 feet NW of Plaster City. Based on mapping (USGS 2006), this appears to be related to the Yuha Wells fault. There are no historic earthquakes having a magnitude (M) greater than 5.5 related to this fault (CDMG 2000). Faults in the vicinity of Plaster City, which are related to historic earthquakes with M greater than 5.5, include the Superstition Mountain Fault (10 miles NE) and Superstition Hills Fault (13.5 miles NE) of the San Jacinto Fault Zone, and the Coyote Mountain Section (10 miles E) of the Elsinore Fault Zone. These locations are presented on Figure 1 of the Appendix.

C. Subsurface Conditions

Subsurface conditions at the landfill were investigated by completing ten soil borings to depths up to 53 feet below ground surface (ft, bgs). Landfill surface elevations at the time of soil boring drilling ranged from about 106 ft to 116 ft.

Samples from the borings were obtained in general accordance with the Standard Penetration Test (ASTM D 1586). The SPT consists of driving a sampler into the bottom of the boring with a 140 pound weight free falling 30 inches. The number of blows required to drive the sampler 18 inches through three, 6-inch increments is recorded on the field logs. The SPT Resistance, or N-value, is the number of blows required to drive the sampler from 6 to 18 inches. The N-value provides a means for evaluating the relative density or compactness of cohesionless (granular) soil and consistency or stiffness of cohesive (fine-grained) soil. When the penetration resistance exceeded 50 blows for 6 inches or less of penetration, the test was stopped and the number of blows and corresponding penetration was recorded.

1. Soils/Waste

In general, the borings encountered Gypsum Landfill materials overlying older alluvium (Qc) then the Palm Spring Formation (Pcp). The landfill materials were described as a mixture of gypsum wallboard, stucco, powder and sand. These materials were classified as medium dense to dense based on SPT N-values, and described as being dry. Gypsum waste thickness ranged up to about 15 feet, with an average of about 12 feet. Based on a recent survey, the waste thickness averages about 30 feet, with a maximum of about 40 feet. The underlying native soils – Alluvium and Palm Spring Formation were described as dense to very dense, fine grained sand, with interlayers of stiff clay.

2. Groundwater

The regional groundwater is at about Elev. 0 (AGI 1988), or approximately 125+ feet below the current landfill surface. Groundwater measurements were made in two monitor wells on the site. These wells indicated that the groundwater elevation varied from about Elev. 50 in the SE area of the landfill to Elev. 20 in the NW.

3. Liquefaction Potential

Due to the relatively dense soil conditions and deep groundwater, the site is not considered prone to liquefaction during an earthquake.

D. Methodology

1. Soil Strength Parameters

Soil strength parameters were obtained using correlations of the SPT N-values. Average N-values for three landfill sample depths were used; the calculations are shown on Figure 2 of the Appendix. The values used for the analysis are shown in Table 1; these are considered to be conservative values.

Table 1. Material Properties for Slope Stability Analyses

Material Type	Total Unit Weight, γ_t (pcf)	Cohesion, C' (psf)	Effective Friction Angle, ϕ'
Landfill Material	105	2	35
Native Sand (Q_c / P_{cp})	115	0	38

2. Design Earthquake

CIWMB requires that the Maximum Probable Earthquake (MPE) be used as the design earthquake for stability analysis of Class III landfills. The MPE equates to 10 percent (%) probability of exceedance in 50 years. Peak ground acceleration (PGA) was determined from the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS 2005). Based on the USGS data, a PGA with a 10% chance of exceedance in 50 years is equal to 42% of the acceleration due to gravity (0.42g). The USGS data is based on historic earthquake location and magnitude as they relate to the Plaster City site.

3. Stability Analysis

A critical cross section was created using the current site survey map and the subsurface data. The cross section and its location are attached on Figures 3 and 4. The stability analysis was conducted using the Spencer method with the computer program SLOPE/W (Geo-Slope, 2004). SLOPE/W performs a search routine to find the most critical slip surface.

The analyses were performed for both static and seismic cases. The seismic stability of the slope was evaluated for the design ground acceleration using the pseudostatic method. In this method the effect of an earthquake force is added to the analysis and is represented as a static force equal to the mass of the slide times a seismic coefficient. The seismic coefficient is generally one-half (0.5) the peak ground acceleration (USACE 2003). For this case, the seismic coefficient (K_h) was taken as 0.21. Due to the minimal probability of liquefaction, the strength of the landfill material was not reduced in the pseudostatic analyses.

E. Results

The results of the stability analyses are presented on Figures 5 and 6 in the Appendix and summarized on Table 2.

Table 2. Summary of Slope Stability Analyses

Cross Section	Minimum FS
1 -- Static	4.40
1 -- Seismic	1.86

F. Conclusions

Based on the stability analysis conducted, the proposed cover slopes will have adequate factors of safety under static and seismic loading conforming to CIWMB criteria.

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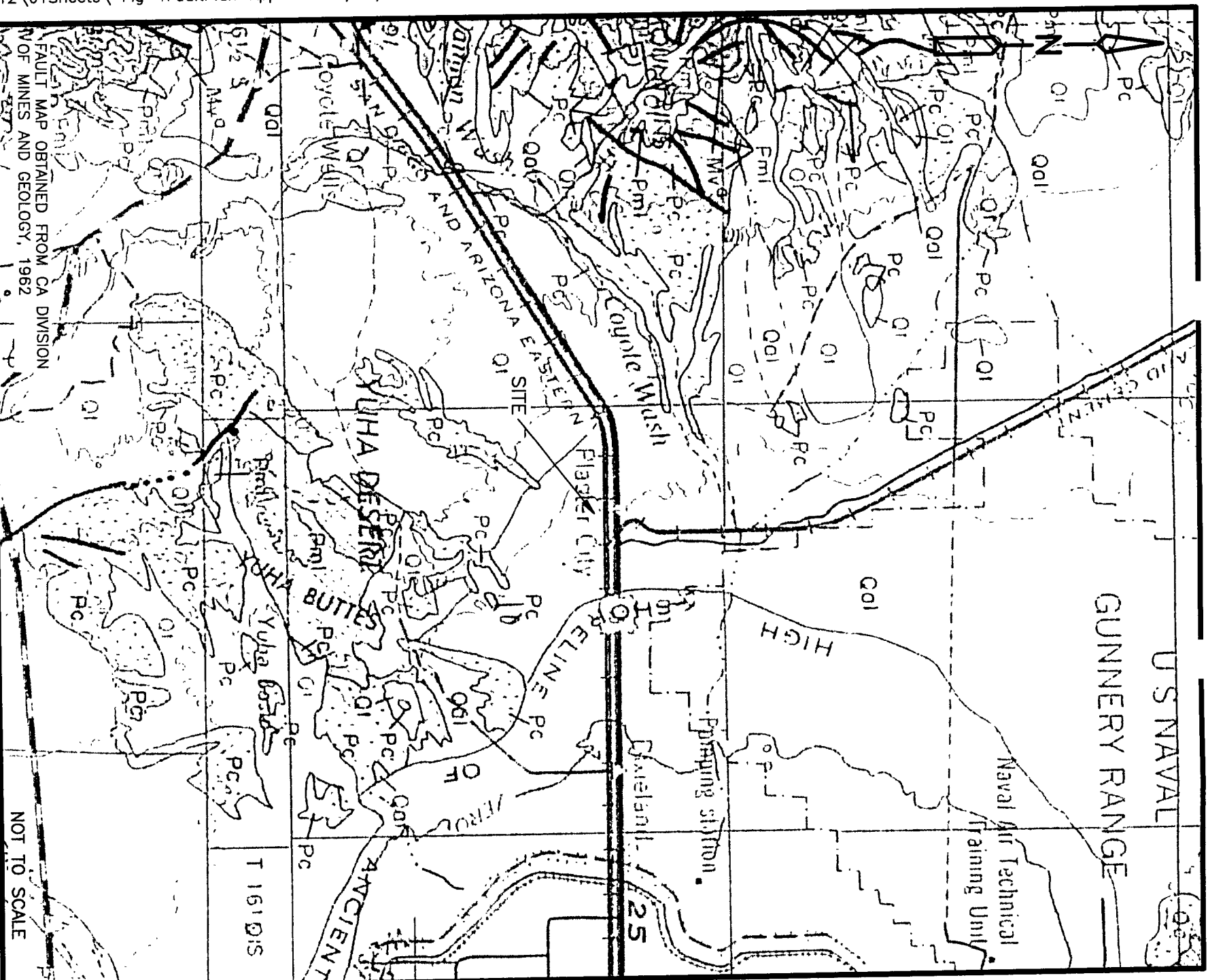
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Appendix C.2-1

1. Regional Fault Map
2. Stability Cross Section Location
3. Stability Cross Section
4. SPT N-value Correlations
5. Stability Analysis -- Static
6. Stability Analysis - Seismic



Appendix C.2-1



FAULT MAP OBTAINED FROM CA DIVISION
OF MINES AND GEOLOGY, 1962

NOT TO SCALE

UCG CORP.
PLASTER CITY, CA

REGIONAL FAULT MAP

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FIGURE 1

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Sheet : ____ of ____

Client / Project : LISC, Plaster City

Project Number : 19921-54112

Subject : Final Cover Stability

Prepared By : JTS

Date : 2/14/07

Comments :

Checked By : JBN

Date : 2/19/07

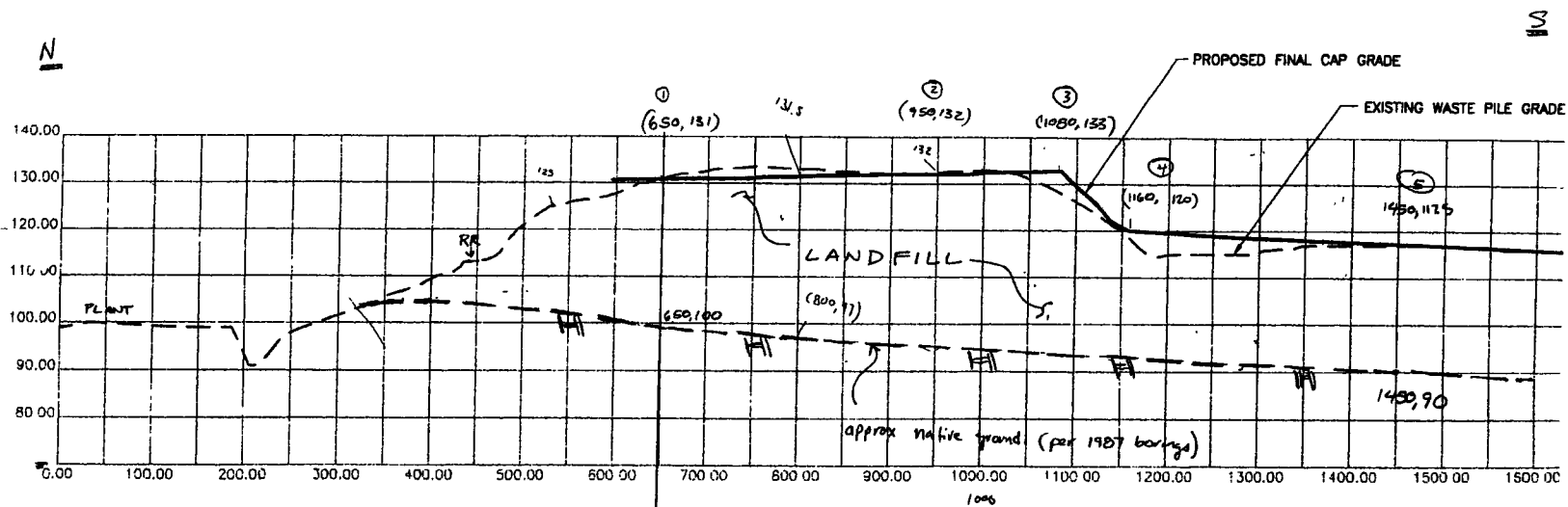


Figure 3
Stability Section

Plaster City Borings
July/Aug 1987

BLOW COUNT CORRECTIONS

Borehole No. / Elev.																
Depth		Avg.	OB	B-1	B-2	B-3	B-4	B-5	B-6	B-7	B-8	B-9	B-10	Average		Φ (phi) Coreollation (deg)
				113	113	112	106	116	117	115	106	117	109			
ft	ft	ft	psf*	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Ncorr**	
2	3.5	2.75	316	25	23	24	40	50	14	18	14	23	13	18	45	42
7	8.5	7.75	891	57	84	9	37	24	50	24	8	17	4	14	21	37
12	13.5	12.75	1,466	40	86	34	12	82	26	8	22	23	14	16	19	36
17	18.5	17.75	2,041	100	100	28	100	40	59	37	40	53	28		0	use 35
22	23.5	22.75	2,616	40	100	31	40	100	100	40	65	85	35	64	56	use 38 for analysis
27	28.5	27.75	3,191		100	100	100	47	100	88	40	21	40	71	56	
32	33.5	32.75	3,766				100		98	89	91	45	48	79	57	
37	38.5	37.75	4,341				40			40	85	48	40	51	34	
42.5	44	43.25	4,974				84					32		58	37	
47	48.5	47.75	5,491				40					40		40	24	
52	53.5	52.75	6,066				40					55		48	27	
				* Bottom of land fill												
				= Landfill blow counts used for analysis												

Bottom of land fill

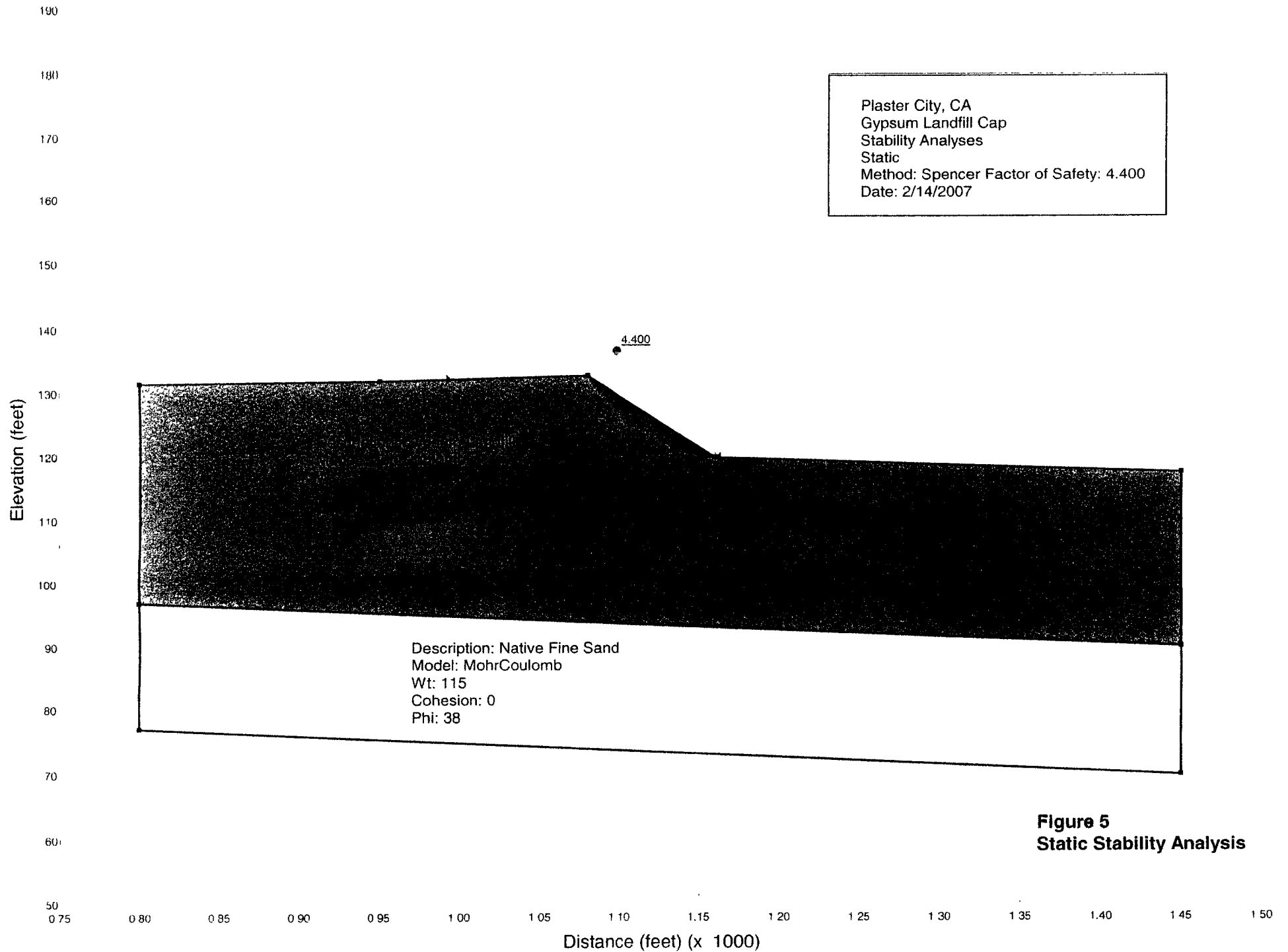
Landfill blow counts used for analysis

* assumes gamma t = 115 pcf Groundwater 100 ft

** corrected for overburden; reference = 2000 psf

D&M Sample Correction = 0.4 N

Figure 4
Landfill Blow Count Correlations



Plaster City, CA
Gypsum Landfill Cap
Stability Analysis
Seismic Coefficient = 0.21 g
Method: Spencer

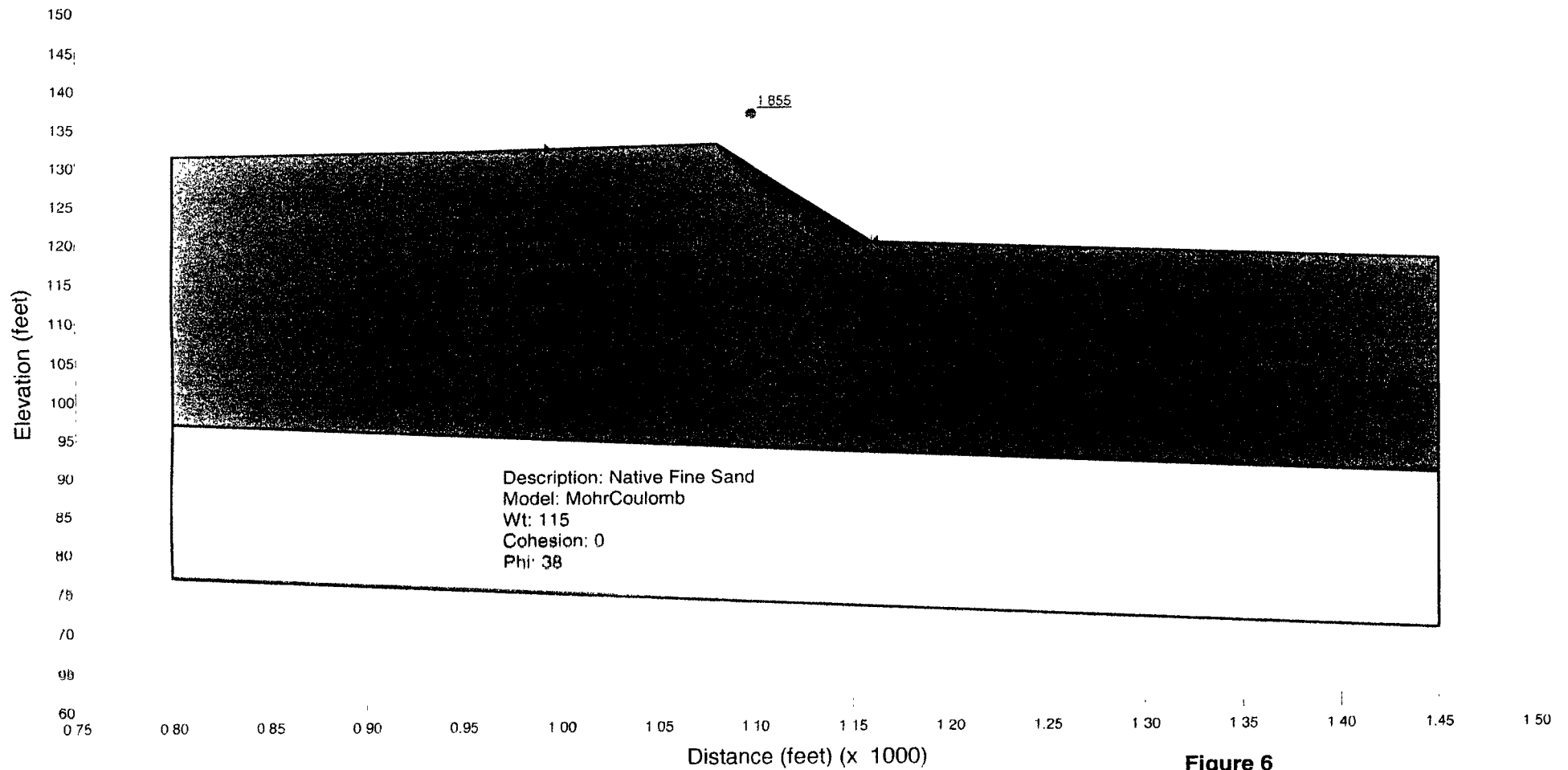


Figure 6
Seismic Stability Analysis

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Hydraulic Conductivity Using Flexible Wall Permeameter (ASTM D5084)

Client: USG
Project Name: Plaster City Waste Pile
Project Location: CA
Project Number: 19921-54112
Sample Number: Gravelly Sand #1
Sample Location: Gravelly Sand
Depth (ft): N/A
Lab I.D. Number: N/A
Sample Description: Brown gravelly sand, trace silt
Test Type: Constant Head (Method A)

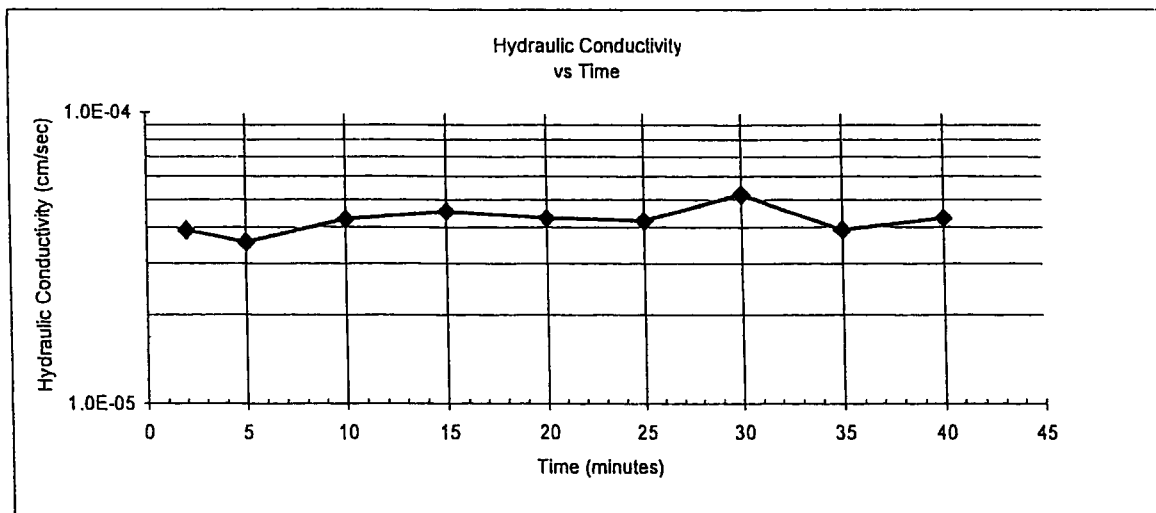
Tested by: MAL
Checked by: JTS
Start Test Date: 10/24/2006
Permeant Fluid: De-aired water
Sample Preparation
Procedures: Sample compacted to 95%
standard Proctor density.

Sample Characteristics	Initial	Final
Avg. length of specimen (in)	6.65	6.65
Avg. dia. of specimen (in)	2.63	2.63
Area (sq in)	5.41	5.44
Volume (cubic in)	35.97	36.21
Moist mass (g)	1224.7	1244.1
Moist unit weight (pcf)	129.7	130.9
Moisture content (%)	9.3	11.1
Dry density (pcf)	118.6	117.9
Specific gravity (assumed)	2.80	2.80
Void ratio	0.47	0.48

Test Specifications	
B-Value (%):	91.0
Consolidation stress (psi):	3.1
Gradient (in/in):	9.6
Cell pressure (psi):	3.1
Head pressure (psi):	2.3
Tail pressure (psi):	0.0
Max effective stress (psi):	3.1
Min effective stress (psi):	0.8

Comments: _____

Hydraulic Conductivity at 20 °C = **4.4E-05** cm/sec



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Hydraulic Conductivity Using Flexible Wall Permeameter (ASTM D5084)

Client: USG
Project Name: Plaster City Waste Pile
Project Location: CA
Project Number: 19921-54112
Sample Number: BULK #1
Sample Location: Silty Sand
Depth (ft): N/A
Lab I.D. Number: N/A
Sample Description: Light brown, silty fine SAND (SM)
Test Type: Constant Head (Method A)

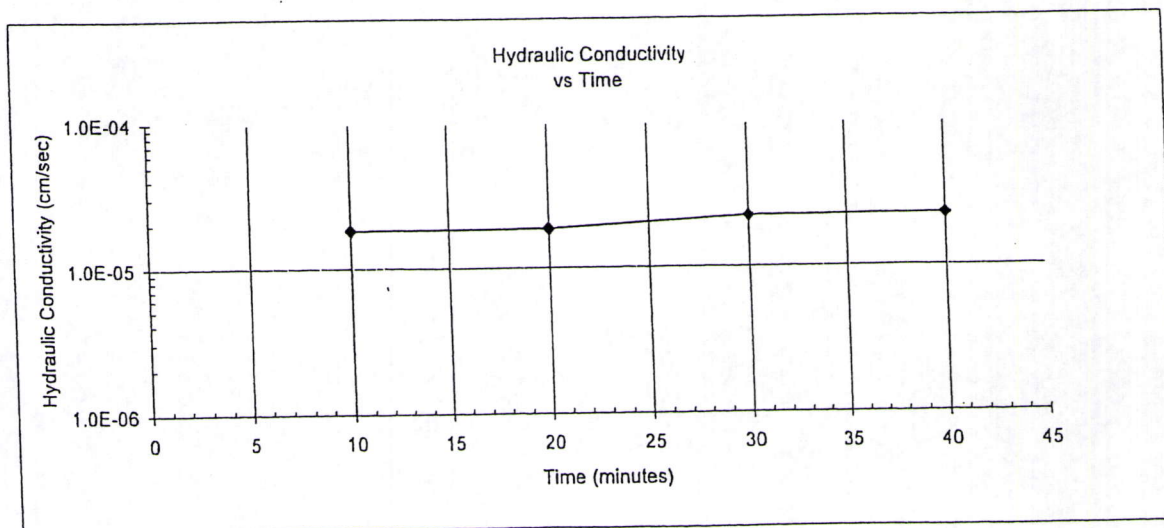
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Checked by: JTS
Start Test Date: 10/19/2006
Permeant Fluid: De-aired water
Sample Preparation Procedures: Sample compacted to 91% standard Proctor density.

Sample Characteristics	Initial	Final
Avg. length of specimen (in)	6.44	6.44
Avg. dia. of specimen (in)	2.64	2.64
Area (sq in)	5.47	5.47
Volume (cubic in)	35.23	35.23
Moist mass (g)	1082.3	1114.6
Moist unit weight (pcf)	117.0	120.5
Moisture content (%)	15.9	19.8
Dry density (pcf)	101.0	100.6
Specific gravity (assumed)	2.70	2.70
Void ratio	0.67	0.68

Test Specifications	
B-Value (%)	NR
Consolidation stress (psi)	7.1
Gradient (in/in)	varied
Cell pressure (psi)	6.3
Head pressure (psi)	varied
Tail pressure (psi)	0.7
Max effective stress (psi)	5.6
Min effective stress (psi)	1.1

Comments: _____

Hydraulic Conductivity at 20 °C = **2.0E-05** cm/sec



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Hydraulic Conductivity Using Flexible Wall Permeameter (ASTM D5084)

Client: USG
Project Name: Plaster City Waste Pile
Project Location: CA
Project Number: 19921-54112
Sample Number: Waste #1
Sample Location: Gypsum Waste Pile
Depth (ft): N/A
Lab I.D. Number: N/A
Sample Description: Crushed gypsum wall board
Test Type: Constant Head (Method A)

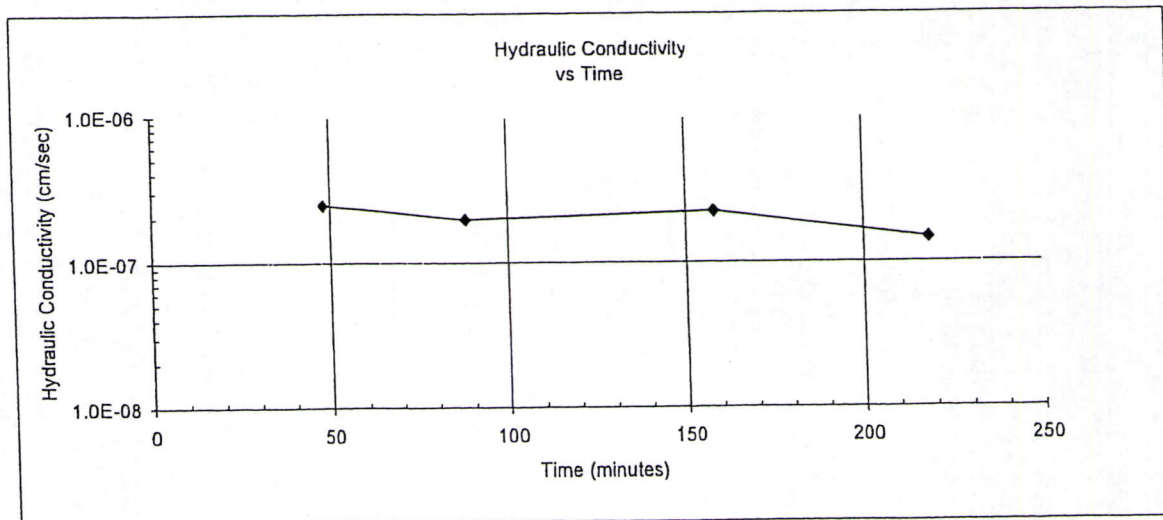
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Checked by: JTS
Start Test Date: 10/19/2006
Permeant Fluid: De-aired water
Sample Preparation Procedures: Sample compacted to 88% standard Proctor density.

Sample Characteristics	Initial	Final
Avg. length of specimen (in)	6.65	6.65
Avg. dia. of specimen (in)	2.64	2.64
Area (sq in)	5.47	5.47
Volume (cubic in)	36.38	36.38
Moist mass (g)	655.9	386.5
Moist unit weight (pcf)	68.7	40.5
Moisture content (%)	51.9	91.1
Dry density (pcf)	45.2	21.2
Specific gravity (assumed)	2.80	2.80
Void ratio	2.87	7.25

Test Specifications	
B-Value (%)	NR
Consolidation stress (psi)	40.0
Gradient (in/in)	83.7
Cell pressure (psi)	40.0
Head pressure (psi)	30.1
Tail pressure (psi)	10.0
Max effective stress (psi)	30.0
Min effective stress (psi)	9.9

Comments: Some large voids in sample due to compacting method.

Hydraulic Conductivity at 20 °C = **2.0E-07** cm/sec



Wash 200(ASTM D-1140)

*enter gray boxes only

*assumes same sample and tare for wash and sieve

Project Name: USG Corp Plaster City
 Project Number: 1992-54112*Borrow

Tare #:
 Tare Wt.
 Wt. Of Wet + Tare
 Wt. Of Dry + Tare(before wash)
 Wt. Of Water
 Wt. Of Dry
 Nat. Moisture Content



Wt of Dry (after wash)-Tare
 Tare Wt
 Wt Of Dry + Tare (before wash)
 Wt of Dry + Tare (after wash)
 Wt from wash
 Wt of Dry (before wash)
 % -200 from wash



Paper left in pan.

Sample ID: Wash After Proctor

Date: 10/18/06

Performed By: MKM

Date Reviewed: 19-Oct

Reviewed By: JTS

Gypsum After Proctor	
Results	
Natural Moisture Content	% -200 From Wash
21.0	96.98

LAB USE ONLY	
DID YOU GET TH DRY WEIGHT?	<u>YES</u> <u>NO</u>
WAS THIS SAMPLE WASHED?	
IS THE SAMPLE COMPLETE?	

Grain Size Analysis Calculation Check (ASTM D-422/D-1140)

* assumes same sample and tare for wash and sieve

Project Name: USC Corp
 Project Number: 19921-54112-BORROW

Sample ID: Test Pit Gravelly Sand

Date: 10/23/06

Date Reviewed: 10/24/06

Reviewed By: JTS

Tare #: C3

Tare Wt. 211.08

Wt. Of Dry + Tare 1523.37

Wt. Of Dry + Tare (before wash) 1510.25

Wt. Of Water 13.12

Wt. Of Dry 1299.17

Moisture Content 1.0

Wt of Dry (after wash) - Tare

Tare Wt

Wt. Of Dry - Tare (before wash)

Wt of Dry + Tare (after wash)

Wt from wash

Wt of Dry (before wash)

% -200 from wash

1171.04

211.08

1510.25

1382.12

121.13

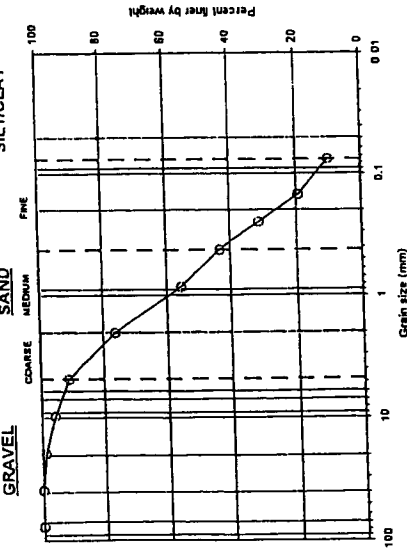
1299.17

9.86

LAB USE ONLY	
DID YOU GET THE DRY WEIGHT?	YES
WAS THIS SAMPLE WASHED?	X
IS THE SAMPLE COMPLETE?	X
NO	

Sieve Opening (mm)	Sieve Size	Accumulative Mass Retained (g)	Mass Passing (g)	Percent Finer By Weight		Grain Size Delineation	
				Percent Finer	By Weight	GRAVEL	
76.200	3"		1299.79	100.00		COARSE	% Gravel (Coarse)
38.100	1.5"		1299.79	100.00			0.00%
19.050	3/4"	14.09	1285.70	98.92		FINE	% Gravel (Fine)
9.525	2"	53.39	1244.40	95.74			8.98%
4.750	#4	116.62	1183.17	91.02			14.83%
2.000	#10	309.34	990.45	76.19		COARSE	% Sand (Coarse)
0.850	#20	579.02	720.77	55.43			31.72%
0.425	#40	754.41	565.38	43.47		MEDIUM	% Sand (Medium)
0.250	#60	891.75	408.04	31.36			
0.150	#100	1047.85	251.94	19.34		FINE	% Sand (Fine)
0.075	#200	1161.92	130.87	10.03			33.45%
			1171.66	128.13		SILT/CLAY	% Fines
			1299.79				10.03%

GRAVEL SAND SILT/CLAY



RESULTS	
Sample ID:	Test Pit Gravelly Sand
Field Logged USCS:	SW
Lab USCS:	SP-SM
Moisture Content (%):	1.0
D ₁₀ :	0.070 mm
D ₃₀ :	0.235 mm
D ₆₀ :	1.024 mm
C _u = (D ₆₀) / (D ₁₀)	0.773
C _c = (D ₃₀) / (D ₁₀)	14.530

Grain Size Analysis Calculation Check (ASTM D 422/D 1140)

*assumes same sample and tare for wash and sieve

Project Name: USG Corp
Project Number: 19921-54112-BORROW

Sample ID: Test Pit Gypsum

Date: 10/16/06
MKM

Date Reviewed: 10/17/06
Reviewed By: JTS

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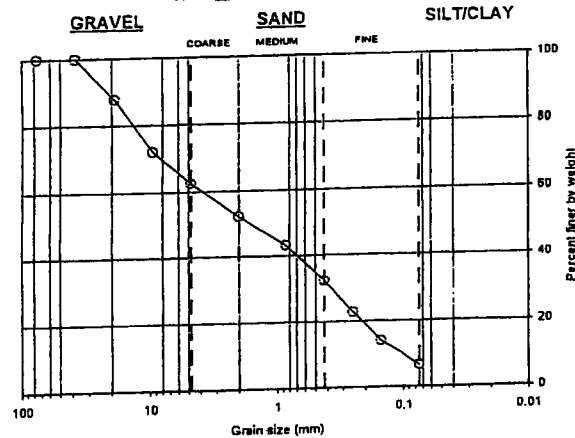
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Tare #.	1	Wt of Dry (after wash)-Tare	0
Tare Wt	237.36	Tare Wt.	0
Wt. Of Wet + Tare		Wt. Of Dry + Tare (before wash)	0
Wt. Of Dry + Tare (before wash)	1054.14	Wt of Dry + Tare (after wash)	1054.14
Wt. Of Water	0	Wt from wash	0
Wt. Of Dry	816.78	Wt of Dry (before wash)	1054.14
Nat. Moisture Content	N/A	% -200 from wash	N/A

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	YES	NO
DID YOU GET THE DRY WEIGHT?	X	
WAS THIS SAMPLE WASHED?		X
IS THE SAMPLE COMPLETE?	X	

					Grain Size Delineation		
Sieve Opening (mm)	Sieve Size	Accumulative Mass Retained (g)	Mass Passing (g)	Percent Finer By Weight			
76.200	3"		816.12	100.00	COARSE GRAIN	<u>GRAVEL</u>	% Gravel (Coarse)
38.100	1.5"		816.12	100.00			
19.050	3/4"	99.80	716.32	87.78			
9.525	3/8"	228.89	587.23	71.98	FINE GRAIN		% Gravel (Fine)
4.750	#4	306.95	509.17	62.42			37.58%
2.000	#10	389.79	426.33	52.28	COARSE GRAIN	<u>SAND</u>	% Sand (Coarse)
0.850	#20	464.29	351.83	43.16	MEDIUM GRAIN		10.14%
0.425	#40	552.21	263.91	32.39			% Sand (Medium)
0.250	#60	630.57	185.55	22.80	FINE GRAIN		19.89%
0.150	#100	701.85	114.27	14.07			% Sand (Fine)
0.075	#200	763.97	52.15	6.47			25.93%
					<u>SILT/CLAY</u>		% Fines
	pan	816.12	0.00				6.47%
Total Mass		816.12					



RESULTS

Sample ID: Test Pit Gypsum
Field Logged USCS= SP-SM
Lab USCS= SP
Nat. Moisture Content(%)= N/A
 D_{10} = 0.136 mm
 D_{30} = 0.642 mm
 D_{60} = 12.145 mm
 $C_u = (D_{60})^2 / (D_{10} \cdot D_{30})$ = 0.250
 $C_g = (D_{60} / D_{10})$ = 89.376

Grain Size Analysis Calculation Check (ASTM D 422/D 1140)

*assumes same sample and tare for wash and sieve

Project Name: USG Corp
Project Number: 19921-54112-BORROW

Sample ID: Test Pit Silty Sand

Date: 10/16/06
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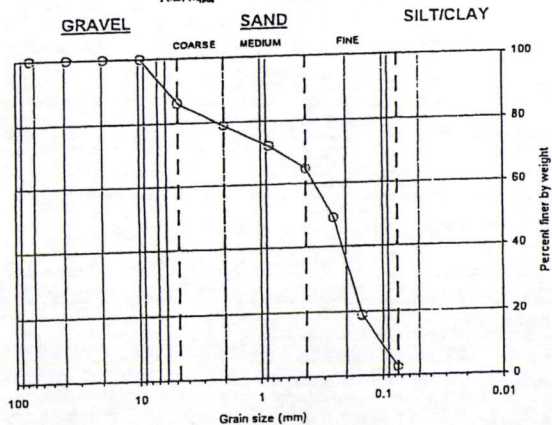
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Reviewed By: JTS

Tare #: D60
Tare Wt. 106.28
Wt. Of Wet + Tare 335.06
Wt. Of Dry + Tare (before wash) 316.1
Wt. Of Water 18.96
Wt. Of Dry 209.82
Nat. Moisture Content 9.0

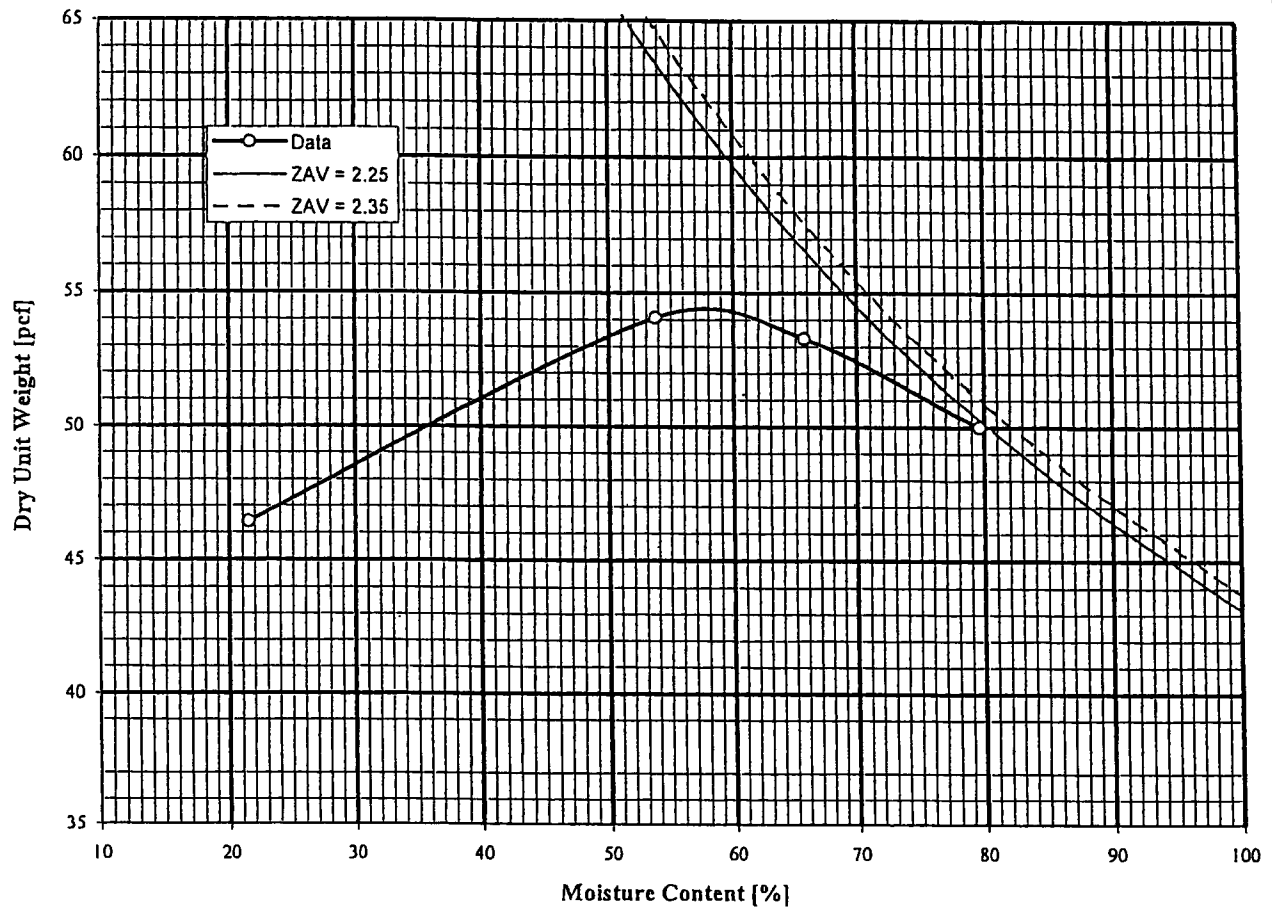
Wt of Dry (after wash)-Tare 209.82
Tare Wt. 106.28
Wt. Of Dry - Tare (before wash) 316.1
Wt of Dry + Tare (after wash) 316.1
Wt from wash 0
Wt of Dry (before wash) 209.82
% -200 from wash 0.00

LAB USE ONLY		
	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
DID YOU GET THE DRY WEIGHT?	<u>X</u>	
WAS THIS SAMPLE WASHED?		<u>X</u>
IS THE SAMPLE COMPLETE?	<u>X</u>	

					Grain Size Delineation			
Sieve Opening (mm)	Sieve Size	Accumulative Mass Retained (g)	Mass Passing (g)	Percent Finer By Weight				
76.200	3"		209.63	100.00	COARSE GRAIN	<u>GRAVEL</u>	% Gravel (Coarse)	0.00%
38.100	1.5"		209.63	100.00				
19.050	3/4"		209.63	100.00				
9.525	3/8"		209.63	100.00				
4.750	#4	28.90	180.73	86.23	FINE GRAIN	<u>SAND</u>	% Gravel (Fine)	13.77%
2.000	#10	44.21	165.44	78.93				
0.850	#20	58.33	151.32	72.20				
0.425	#40	74.04	135.61	64.71				
0.250	#60	106.77	102.88	49.11	MEDIUM GRAIN		% Sand (Coarse)	7.30%
0.150	#100	170.19	39.46	18.89				
0.075	#200	204.23	5.42	2.66				
	pan	209.63	0.00					
Total Mass		209.63					% Sand (Medium)	14.22%
					FINE GRAIN	<u>SILT/CLAY</u>	% Sand (Fine)	62.05%
							% Fines	2.66%



RESULTS	
Sample ID:	<u>Test Pit Silty Sand</u>
Field Logged USCS=	<u>SW</u>
Lab USCS=	<u>SP</u>
Nat. Moisture Content(%)=	<u>9.0</u>
D ₁₀ =	<u>0.103 mm</u>
D ₃₀ =	<u>0.181 mm</u>
D ₆₀ =	<u>0.363 mm</u>
C _u =(D ₃₀) ³ /(D ₁₀ *D ₆₀)=	<u>0.879</u>
C _u =(D ₆₀ /D ₁₀)=	<u>3.526</u>



Exploration No: Gypsum Test Pits
 Sample No: Bucket
 Depth (ft): Grab
 Sample Date: __/__/2006
 As Rec'd Moisture: 21.5%

Max Dry Unit Weight [pcf]: 54.5
 Optimum Moisture Content [%]: 57.5
 Mold Size: 4 inch

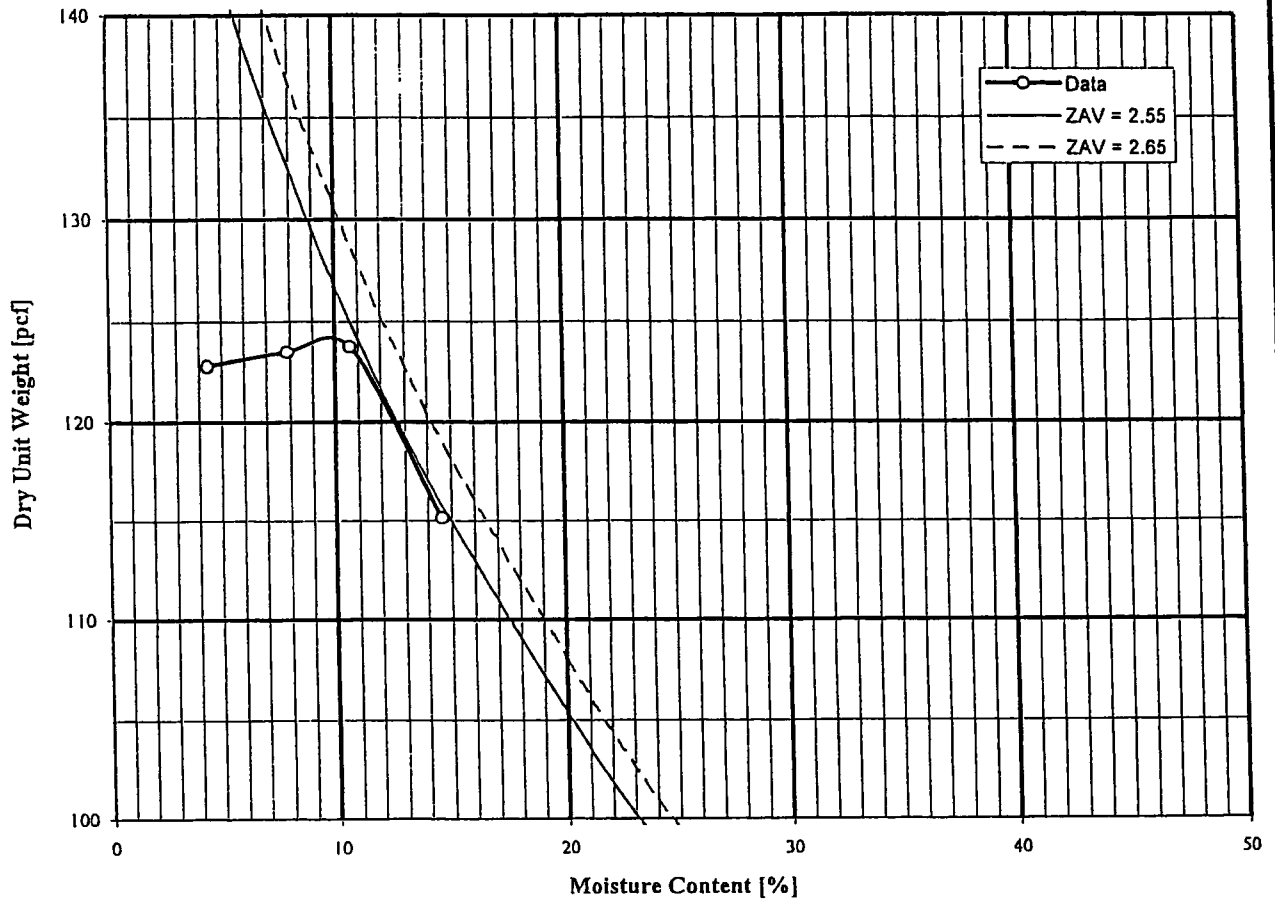
Testing Comments

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Compaction Test
 ASTM D698
 Figure 5



Exploration No:	Gravelly/Sand Test Pits	Max Dry Unit Weight [pcf]:	124.7
Sample No:	Bucket	Optimum Moisture Content [%]:	9.7
Depth (ft):	Grab		
Sample Date:	___/___/2006	Mold Size:	4 inch
As Rec'd Moisture:	0.9%		

Testing Comments

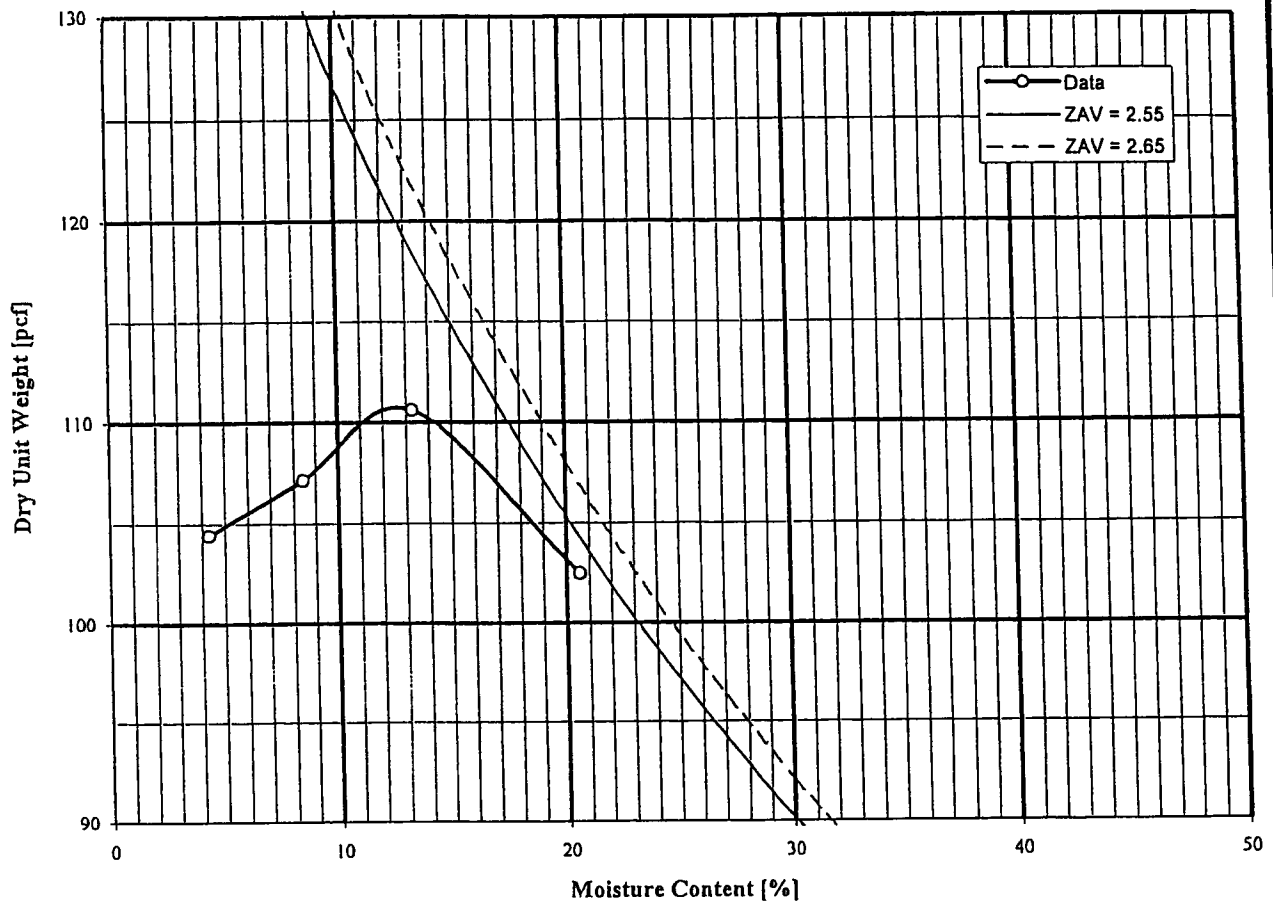
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Figure 5



Exploration No: Silty/Sand Test Pits
 Sample No: Bucket
 Depth (ft): Grab
 Sample Date: __/__/2006
 As Rec'd Moisture: 5.0%

Max Dry Unit Weight [pcf]: 111.0
 Optimum Moisture Content [%]: 12.6
 Mold Size: 4 inch

Testing Comments

Insufficient sample to complete 5th point.

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Compaction Test
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 Figure 5

SOIL CLASSIFICATION LEGEND

MAJOR DIVISIONS

TYPICAL NAMES

SAMPLE TYPE SYMBOLS

COARSE GRAINED SOILS
More than half is larger than No. 200 sieve

GRAVELS

More than half coarse fraction is larger than No. 4 sieve size

Clean gravels with little or no fines

GW

Well graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures

GP

Poorly graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures

GM

Silty gravels, gravel-sand-silt mixtures

GC

Clayey gravels, gravel-sand-clay mixtures

Disturbed bag or jar sample

Std. Penetration Test (2.0" OD)

Type U Ring Sampler (3.25" OD)

California Sampler (3.0" OD)

Undisturbed Tube Sample

Grab Sample

Core Run

Non-standard Penetration Test (with split spoon sampler)

Bulk Sample

FINE GRAINED SOILS
More than half is smaller than No. 200 sieve

SILTS AND CLAYS

Liquid limit less than 50

ML

Inorganic silts and very fine sands, rock flour, silty or clayey fine sands, or clayey silts with slight plasticity

CL

Inorganic clays of low to medium plasticity, gravelly clays, sandy clays, silty clays, lean clays

OL

Organic clays and organic silty clays of low plasticity

SILTS AND CLAYS

Liquid limit greater than 50

MH

Inorganic silts, micaceous or diatomaceous fine sandy or silty silts, elastic silts

CH

Inorganic clays of high plasticity, fat clays

OH

Organic clays of medium to high plasticity, organic silts

CONTACT BETWEEN UNITS

Change in geologic unit

Soil type change within geologic unit

Obscure or gradational change

HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS

PT

Peat and other highly organic soils

MOISTURE DESCRIPTION

Dry - Free of moisture, dusty

Moist - Damp but no visible free water

Wet - Visible free water, saturated

DESCRIPTORS FOR SOIL STRATA AND STRUCTURE (ENGLISH/METRIC)

General Thickness or Spacing	Parting:	less than 1/16 in. (1/6 cm)	Pocket:	Erratic, discontinuous deposit of limited extent	Near horizontal:	0 to 10 deg.
	Seam:	1/16 to 1/2 in. (1/6 to 1 1/4 cm)	Lens:	Lenticular deposit	Low angle:	10 to 45 deg.
	Layer:	1/2 to 12 in. (1 1/4 to 30 1/2 cm)	Varved:	Alternating seams of silt and clay	High angle:	45 to 80 deg.
	Stratum:	> 12 in. (30 1/2 cm)	Laminated:	Alternating seams	Near Vertical:	80 to 90 deg.
	Scattered:	< 1 per ft. (30 1/2 cm)	Interbedded:	Alternating layers		
	Numerous:	> 1 per ft. (30 1/2 cm)				

STRUCTURE DESCRIPTION (cont.)

Fractured	Breaks easily along definite fractured planes
Slickensided	Polished, glossy, fractured planes
Blocky, Diced	Breaks easily into small angular lumps
Sheared	Disturbed texture, mix of strengths
Homogenous	Same color and appearance throughout

WELL COMPLETIONS

RELATIVE DENSITY OR CONSISTENCY VS. SPT N-VALUE

COARSE GRAINED			FINE GRAINED		
Density	N (blows/ft)	Approx. Relative Density (%)	Consistency	N (blows/ft)	Approx. Undrained Shear Str. (psf)
Very Loose	0 to 4	0 - 15	Very Soft	0 to 2	<250
Loose	4 to 10	15 - 35	Soft	2 to 4	250 - 500
Medium Dense	10 to 30	35 - 65	Medium Stiff	4 to 8	500 - 1000
Dense	30 to 50	65 - 85	Stiff	8 to 15	1000 - 2000
Very Dense	Over 50	85 - 100	Very Stiff	15 to 30	2000 - 4000
			Hard	over 30	>4000

Notes:

1. Sample descriptions in this report are based on visual field and laboratory observations, which include density/consistency, moisture condition, grain size, and plasticity estimates, and should not be construed to imply field or laboratory testing unless presented herein. Visual-manual classification methods in accordance with ASTM D 2488 were used as an identification guide. Where laboratory data are available, soil classifications are in general accordance with ASTM D 2487.

2. Dual symbols are used to indicate gravel and sand units with 5 to 12 percent fines.

3. WOR = weight of rod.

PHYSICAL PROPERTY TEST

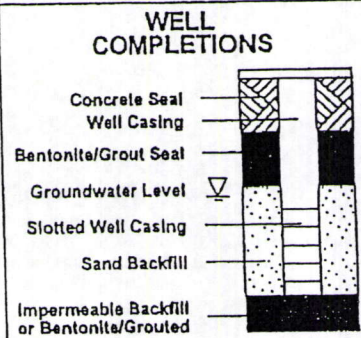
AL	-	Atterberg Limits
FC	-	Fines Content
GSD	-	Grain Size Distribution
MC	-	Moisture Content
MD	-	Moisture Content/Dry Density
Comp	-	Compaction Test (Proctor)
SG	-	Specific Gravity
CBR	-	California Bearing Ratio
RM	-	Resilient Modulus
Perm	-	Permeability
TXP	-	Triaxial Permeability
Cons	-	Consolidation
Chem	-	Analytical Chemical Analysis
Corr	-	Corrosion
VS	-	Vane Shear
DS	-	Direct Shear
UC	-	Unconfined Compression
TX	-	Triaxial Compression
UU	-	Unconsolidated, Undrained
CU	-	Consolidated, Undrained
CD	-	Consolidated, Drained

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SOIL CLASSIFICATION LEGEND USG 38072 PC.GPJ CDM BILV.GOT 7/15/04 REV.



TEST PIT TEMP USG 38072 PC.GPJ CDM BILLV.GDT 7/15/04 REV.

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Other Tests	MM (ppm)	Depth (feet)	Sample	Symbol	Test Pit TP-1 DESCRIPTION	Elev. (feet)
					LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Medium dense, dry, fine-grained.	
		2				
		4	G			
		6			BROWN CLAY (CL) Stiff, moist.	
		8	G			
		10			Test pit terminated at 9 ft bgs.	
		12				
		14				
		16				
		18				

Location: <u>See Site Plan</u>	Date Completed: <u>6-29-04</u>
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Other Tests				Test Pit TP-2		Elev. (feet)
Depth (feet)	Sample	Symbol	DESCRIPTION			
			LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Medium dense, dry, fine-grained.			
2	G		Becomes dense, slightly cemented.			
4			Becomes yellowish-brown/rusty.			
6			Becomes light brown.			
8						
10			Becomes dense.			
12						
14			Test pit terminated at 14 bgs.			
16						
18						

Location: See Site Plan

Surface Elevation: _____

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TEST PIT TEMP USG 38072 PC.GPJ CDM BLLV.GDT 7/15/04 REV.

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Other Notes	Grav. (ppm)	TMP	Depth (feet)	Sample	Symbol	DESCRIPTION	
			2	G		BROWNISH YELLOW GRAVELLY SAND (SW) Medium dense, dry, fine- to coarse-grained, fine-grained gravel, with trace silt.	
			4			LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Dense, dry, fine-grained, slightly cemented.	
			10	G		DARK BROWN CLAY (CL) Stiff, moist.	
			13			Test pit terminated at 13 ft bgs.	

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 Surface Elevation: _____

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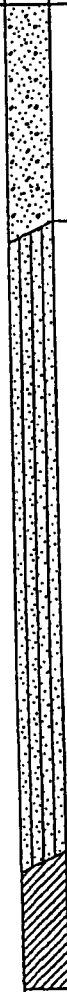


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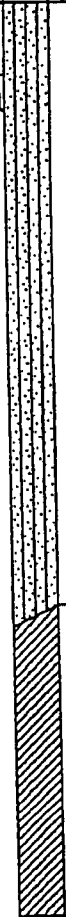
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Test Pit TP-4					Elev. (feet)
Other Tests	QVM (ppm)	Depth (feet)	Sample Symbol	DESCRIPTION	
DRAFT		2		BROWNISH YELLOW GRAVELLY SAND (SW) Medium dense, dry, fine- to coarse-grained, fine-grained gravel.	
		4		LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Medium dense, dry, fine-grained.	
		6			
		8			
		10			
		12	DARK BROWN CLAY (CL) Stiff, moist.		
		14		Test pit terminated at 14 ft bgs.	
		16			
		18			

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TEST PIT TEMP USG 38072 PC.GPJ CDM BULLY.GDT 7/22/04 REV.

Other Tests	OVN (ppm)	Depth (feet)	Sample	Symbol	Test Pit TP-5 DESCRIPTION	Elev. (feet)
		2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18	G		LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Medium dense, dry, fine- to medium-grained, with trace fine-grained gravel. Becomes fine-grained with no gravel.	
					DARK BROWN CLAY (CL) Stiff, moist.	
					Test pit terminated at 13 ft bgs.	

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Surface Elevation: _____

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TEST PIT TEMP USG 38072 PC.GPJ CDM BLLV.GDT 7/22/04 REV.


Test Pit TP-6					Elev. (feet)	
Other Tests	Soils (ppm)	Time	Depth (feet)	Sample Symbol		DESCRIPTION
			2		LIGHT BROWN GRAVELLY SAND (SW) Medium dense, dry, fine- to coarse-grained, fine-grained gravel, interbedded with brown clay, medium stiff, moist.	
			4	G	DARK BROWN CLAY (CL) Stiff, moist.	
			10		LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Dense, dry, fine-grained, slightly cemented.	
			13		Test pit terminated at 13 ft bgs.	
			14			
			16			
			18			

Location: <u>See Site Plan</u>		Date Completed: <u>6-29-04</u>	
Surface Elevation: _____		Logged By: <u>CJL</u>	

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TEST PIT TEMP USG 38072 PC.GPJ CDM BILV.GDT 7/15/04 REV.

Test Pit TP-7					Elev. (feet)
Tests	OVM (ppm)	TMP	Depth (feet)	Symbol	
			2	G	BROWNISH YELLOW GRAVELLY SAND (SW) Medium dense, dry, fine- to coarse-grained, fine-grained gravel.
			4		BROWN CLAY (CL) Stiff, moist.
					LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Dense, dry, fine-grained, slightly cemented.
			13		Test pit terminated at 13 ft bgs.
Location: <u>See Site Plan</u> Surface Elevation: _____					Date Completed: <u>6-29-04</u> Logged By: <u>CJL</u>
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					Test Pit TP-7 Project No: 19921.38072

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		Test Pit TP-8		Elev. (feet)
OW (feet)	TMP	Depth (feet)	DESCRIPTION	
			BROWNISH YELLOW SAND (SW) Loose, dry, fine- to coarse-grained, with trace fine gravel.	
		2	LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Medium dense, dry, fine-grained, slightly cemented.	
		4		
		6		
		8		
		10		
		12		
		14	Test pit terminated at 13 ft bgs.	
		16		
		18		

TEST PIT TEMP USG 38072 PC.GPJ CDM BLLV/GDT 7/15/04 REV.

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Surface Elevation: _____

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Test Pit TP-9						Elev. (feet)
	Depth (feet)	Sample	Symbol	DESCRIPTION		
	0			BROWNISH YELLOW SAND (SW) Loose, dry, fine- to coarse-grained, with trace gravel.		
	2					
	4			LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Dense, dry, fine-grained, slightly cemented.		
	6					
	8					
	10					
	12					
	14			Test pit terminated at 13 ft bgs.		
	16					
	18					

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TEST PIT TEMP USG 38072 FC.GPJ COM ALLY.DOT 11/15/04 10:11

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TEST PIT TEMP USG 38072 PC.GPJ CDM BLLV.GDT 7/15/04 REV.

Test Pit TP-10					Elev. (feet)
CDM	OVM	TMP	Depth (feet)	DESCRIPTION	
				LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Loose, dry, fine- to medium-grained.	
			2	Becomes dense, fine-grained.	
			4		
			6		
			8		
			10		
			12	DARK BROWN CLAY (CL) Very stiff, moist.	
			13	Test pit terminated at 13 ft bgs.	
			14		
			16		
			18		

Location: See Site Plan

Surface Elevation: _____

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TEST PIT TEMP USG 38072 PC.GPJ CDM BULLV.GOT 7/22/04 REV.

<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> Other Tests Depth (feet) Sample Symbol </div>				Test Pit TP-11	Elev. (feet)
				DESCRIPTION	
<div style="position: relative; height: 100px;"> DRAFT </div>	2		LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Loose, dry, fine- to medium-grained, with trace fine-grained gravel.		
	4		BROWNISH YELLOW GRAVELLY SAND (SW) Dense, dry, fine- to medium-grained, fine-grained gravel, slightly cemented, with trace silt.		
	6		LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Dense, dry, fine-grained, slightly cemented.		
	8		Test pit terminated at 14 ft bgs.		

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 Surface Elevation: _____

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Test Pit TP-12					Elev. (feet)
Other Notes	Grav. (ppm)	Temp	Depth (feet)	Sample Symbol	
			2	G	LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Medium dense, dry, fine-grained, slightly cemented.
			4		Becomes dense.
			6		
			8		
			10		Becomes medium dense.
			12		Test pit terminated at 12 ft bgs.
			14		
			16		
			18		

Location: See Site Plan
 Surface Elevation: _____

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TEST PIT TEMP USG 38072 PC GP J CDM BLLV.GDT 7/15/04 REV.

<div style="position: relative; height: 40px;"> DRAFT </div>					<div style="text-align: center;"> Test Pit TP-13 DESCRIPTION </div>		Elev. (feet)
Other Notes (ft)	OVI (ft)	TME (ft)	Depth (feet)	Sample Symbol			
			2		BROWNISH YELLOW GRAVELLY SAND (SW) Medium dense, dry, fine- to coarse-grained, fine- to coarse-grained gravel.		
			4		Becomes dense.		
			6				
			8				
			10		DARK BROWN CLAY (CL) Stiff, moist.		
			12		Test pit terminated at 12 ft bgs.		
			14				
			16				
			18				

Location: See Site Plan
 Surface Elevation: _____

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TEST PIT TEMP USG 38072 PC.GPJ CDM BILLY GDT 7/15/04 REV.

Other Tests	Unit (ppm)	Depth (feet)	Sample	Symbol	Test Pit TP-14 DESCRIPTION	Elev. (feet)
		2			BROWNISH YELLOW GRAVELLY SAND (SW) Dense, dry, fine- to coarse-grained, fine-grained gravel. With trace cobbles.	
		4				
		6				
		8				
		10				
		12			Test pit terminated at 13 ft bgs.	
		14				
		16				
		18				

Location: See Site Plan
 Surface Elevation: _____


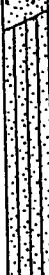
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TEST PIT TEMP USG 38072 PC.GPJ CDM BILLY.GDT 7/15/04 REV.

Test Pit TP-15					Elev. (feet)
Other Tests	Moisture (%)	Depth (feet)	Sample	DESCRIPTION	
DRAFT		2		BROWNISH YELLOW GRAVELLY SAND (SW) Medium dense, dry, fine- to coarse-grained, fine-grained gravel.	
		4			
		6			
		8			
		10			
		12		LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Dense, dry, fine-grained, slightly cemented.	
	14	Test pit terminated at 13 ft bgs.			
		16			
		18			

Location: <u>See Site Plan</u>		Date Completed: <u>6-30-04</u>	
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<div style="position: relative; height: 40px;"> DRAFT </div>					Test Pit TP-16		Elev. (feet)
Other Notes	Gravel (ppm)	Thin Layer	Depth (feet)	Sample	Symbol	DESCRIPTION	
			2			LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Medium dense, dry, fine- to medium-grained with trace gravel.	
			4			Becomes slightly cemented.	
			6				
			8			Large cobbles present (12").	
			10			Test pit terminated at 9 ft bgs.	
			12				
			14				
			16				
			18				
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<div style="text-align: center;"> </div>					USG Plaster City Plaster City, California		
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TEST PIT TEMP USG 38072 PC.GPJ CDM B.L.V.GDT 7/15/04 REV.

Test Pit TP-17					Elev. (feet)
Other Tests	Grain Size (mm)	Depth (feet)	Sample	Symbol	
DRAFT		2	G		BROWNISH YELLOW GRAVELLY SAND (SW) Medium dense, dry, fine- to coarse-grained, fine-grained gravel.
		4			LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Dense, dry, fine-grained, slightly cemented.
		12			DARK BROWN CLAY (CL) Stiff, moist.
		12.5			Test pit terminated at 12.5 ft bgs.

Location: See Site Plan

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TEST PIT TEMP USG 38072 PC.GPJ CDM BLLV.GDT 7/15/04 REV.

Other Tests	OVN (ppm)	TMP	Depth (feet)	Sample	Symbol	<div>Test Pit TP-18</div> <div>DESCRIPTION</div>	Elev. (feet)
			2			<div>BROWNISH YELLOW GRAVELLY SAND (SW)</div> <div>Medium dense, dry, fine- to coarse-grained, fine-grained gravel, with trace silt.</div>	
			4			<div>LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM)</div> <div>Dense, dry, fine-grained, slightly cemented.</div>	
			6				
			8				
			10				
			12				
			14				
			16			Test pit terminated at 15 ft bgs.	
			18				

Location: See Site Plan
 Surface Elevation: _____

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TEST PIT TEMP USG 38072 PC.GPJ CDM BULV.GDT 7/15/04 REV.

Other Tests	Temp (ppm)	Depth (feet)	Sample	Symbol	Test Pit TP-19 DESCRIPTION	Elev. (feet)
		2			BROWNISH YELLOW GRAVELLY SAND (SW) Medium dense, dry, fine- to coarse-grained, fine- to coarse-grained gravel, with trace cobbles, slightly cemented.	
		4				
		6				
		8			DARK BROWN CLAY (CL) Stiff, moist (6" layer).	
		10			LIGHT BROWN SILTY SAND (SM) Dense, dry, fine-grained, slightly cemented.	
		12				
		14			Test pit terminated at 13 ft bgs.	
		16				
		18				

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Surface Elevation: _____	Logged By: <u>CJL</u>

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3.4 Closure Design

The closure cover design complies with the applicable requirements of Title 27 CCR. The design grading, cover system, and supporting engineering analyses are summarized in the following sections.

3.4.1 Grading Plan

The IWP consists primarily of gypsum waste material that when compacted to 88% of standard proctor density has a hydraulic conductivity of 2×10^{-7} cm/sec. Differential settlement or consolidation of the gypsum waste material is expected to be negligible at the site. The existing waste pile has two distinct "decks". The upper "deck" is located in the north central part of the waste pile and has elevations ranging from 130 to 136 ft. The lower "deck" occupies a significant portion of the waste pile and contains elevations from 110 to 120 ft.

A majority of the existing sideslopes are flatter than approximately 5H: 1V (horizontal to vertical).

The design of the Final Grading Plan is based on the following criteria:

- Regrade the existing waste material to achieve a minimum grade of 1% for the upper and lower decks of the waste pile. Approximately 7,452 cy of material needs to be relocated to achieve 1% minimum grades.
- Installation of diversion berms at the interface of the 1% "deck" grades, and the 5 horizontal to 1 vertical grades to intercept and divert major storm event flows to rip-rap down drain structures.
- Installation of perimeter drainage channels to convey stormwater away from the site.
- Final grade the existing sideslopes to a maximum 5 horizontal to 1 vertical.

Title 27 Section 21090.B.1.b allows portion of the final cover to be built with grades less than three percent if the discharger proposes an effective system for diverting surface drainage from laterally-adjacent areas and preventing ponding in the flatter desk areas. The waste Pile will be graded to a minimum 1% grade to prevent ponding and to promote stormwater run-off from the waste pile area. The final cover system includes a rock armoring layer that will minimize wind and stormwater erosion of the final cover system. It is anticipated that under normal rainfall events, little or no run-off is expected at the site due to absorption of stormwater into the rock armoring layer. The drainage control system includes diversion berms, rip-rap down drain structures, and a series of perimeter drainage channels designed to minimize erosion for the 100 year-6 hour stormwater event. The 100 year-6 hour stormwater event was selected to model intense rain storms that the area experiences and to calculate stormwater runoff velocities.

Differential settlement of the final capping system will not be significant due to the geotechnical engineering properties of the gypsum material. Laboratory testing determined that when compacted, gypsum material compacts to a standard proctor density of 88% and exhibits a hydraulic conductivity of 2×10^{-7} cm/sec. It is anticipated that stormwater ponding will be limited at the site.

See Appendix B for the Final Grading Plan and Stormwater Management System Details.

3.4.2 Closure Cover System

The proposed engineered alternative cover system included in this Final Closure Plan (FCP) consists of the following cover components from top to bottom as depicted in Figure 5.

Rock Armoring (Erosion Resistant Layer): The top layer of the final cover system will be comprised of a 2-inch to 3-inch thick rock layer for the upper and lower "deck" areas, and a 3-inch to 4-inch thick rock layer for waste pile sideslopes. Prior to placement of the rock armoring layer, native seed mix will be applied.

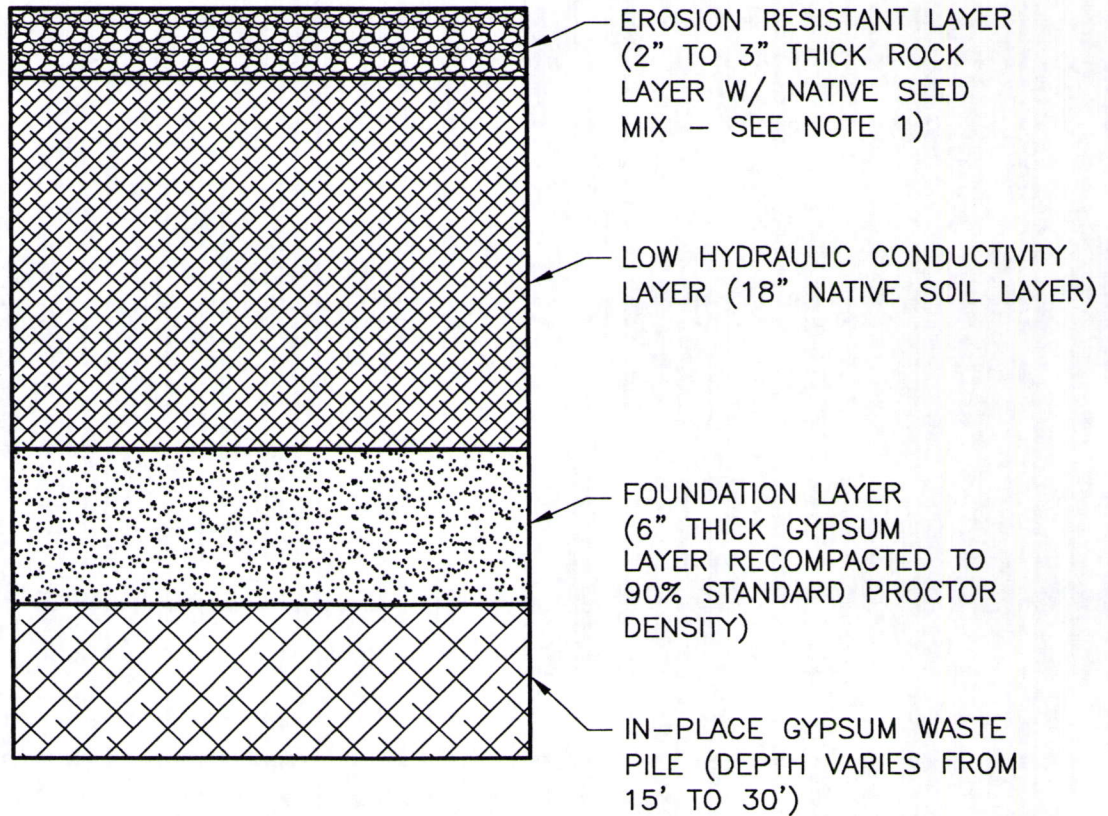
Onsite Material (Low Hydraulic Conductivity Layer): This layer consists of 18 inches of compacted native material with a hydraulic conductivity value of 2×10^{-5} cm/sec. Since the foundation layer consisting of recompacted gypsum with a hydraulic conductivity of 2×10^{-7} cm/sec is highly impermeable, onsite soil with a K value of 2×10^{-5} cm/sec is used for the low hydraulic conductivity layer. The layer will be vegetated with the following native seed mix:

Proposed Native Seed Mix

Species	Lbs/Acre
Aristida purpurea	2.0
Baileya multiradiata	2.0
Bouteloua gracilis	6.0
Eschscholzia mexicana	2.0
Atriplex canescens	6.0
Lasthenia californica	1.0
Lupinus bicolor	2.0
Poa secunda	3.0
Phacelia campanularia	2.0
Salvia columbariae	1.0
Encelia farinosa	4.0
Hordeum depressum	3.0
Vulpia octoflora	2.0
Larrea tridentata	4.0
Total Lbs/Acre	40.0

Gypsum Layer (Foundation Layer): The base cover system is comprised of a 6-inch thick gypsum layer recompacted to 90% standard proctor density with a hydraulic conductivity of 2×10^{-7} cm/sec.

See Appendix C.4 for gypsum and proposed cover material geotechnical information.



NOTE:

1. INCREASE ROCK ARMORING LAYER
TO 3" TO 4" THICK FOR SIDE
SLOPES.

FINAL COVER DETAIL

Figure 5

3.4.3 Settlement

The IWP, consisting primarily of gypsum, will not experience significant settlement or consolidation after closure.

3.4.4 Infiltration

One of the primary purposes of the cover system is to minimize infiltration into the underlying gypsum pile. The WinUnsat-H model was used to evaluate the relative infiltration performance of the prescriptive cover and engineered alternate cover system. The WinUnsat-H model computes the water balance of the cover system taking into account precipitation, evaporation, soil storage and percolation.

The analysis was conducted using precipitation data for El Centro, California. Rainfall data for the wettest 10-year period on record was used for model simulation. The average annual rainfall in the area during this period (1989 – 1998) was 4.8 inches.

The prescriptive cover system used for evaluation is based on the requirements listed in the Title 27, section 21090 (a) (1-3). The cover layer is assumed to consist of the following components from bottom to top:

1. A two-foot foundation layer consisting of onsite soil with a K value of 2×10^{-5} cm/sec.
2. A one-foot low hydraulic conductivity layer with a K value of 1×10^{-6} cm/sec.
3. A one-foot thick mechanically erosion-resistant layer of cobbles.

As described in section 3.4.2, the alternative cover-system that was used in the model evaluation consists of the following components:

1. A 6-inch thick foundation layer consisting of gypsum recompact to 90% standard proctor density and a K value of 2×10^{-7} cm/sec.
2. An 18-inch thick layer of onsite soil with a K value of 2×10^{-5} cm/sec.
3. A two to three inch thick mechanically erosion-resistant rock layer.

For modeling purposes, plants or vegetation are assumed to be absent in the simulation for both the prescribed and alternate covers. Also, the mechanically erosion-resistant rock layers (with a high hydraulic conductivity) were not included in the infiltration analysis.

Simulation results for the period are listed in Table 3.

Table 3
Infiltration Evaluation

Cover	Average Annual Precipitation over the 10 Wettest Year Period (inches)	Total Annual Drainage through Cover (cm)	Total Annual Drainage through Cover (inches)
Prescriptive	4.75	1.88	0.74
Alternate	4.75	1.67	0.66

Based on the modeling results, the engineered alternate cover will have lower drainage through the foundation layer than the prescriptive cover.

See Appendix C.1 for the WinUnsat-H model results.

3.4.5 Stability

The stability of the Plaster City Gypsum Landfill cover was evaluated as part of the design for the final cover of the landfill. The analysis was conducted in accordance with CIWMB requirements as noted in CCR Section 21750 (f) (5) Stability Analysis. The Stability Analysis is included in Appendix C.2. The results of the analysis indicate that the proposed cover slopes will have adequate factors of safety under static (minimum FS of 4.40) and seismic (1.56) loading.

3.4.6 Erosion

The rock armoring layer will significantly minimize soil erosion from the final capping system. The rip-rap down drain structures will provide an additional level of erosion control during severe storm events.

3.4.7 Drainage

Closure drainage controls consist of a series of stormwater control features to efficiently convey stormwater off and away from the waste pile. A series of diversion berms/drainage swales will direct stormwater sheet flow off of the upper and lower decks of the waste pile to riprap lined downdrains. A perimeter drainage channel will be constructed to collect flow from downdrains and other slopes and divert major stormwater flows away from the site. Due to the rock armoring layer and limited rainfall at the site, stormwater run-off from the waste pile will be limited to major storm events. The stormwater control structures are designed to withstand a 100 year-24 hour storm event. For normal precipitation events, the rock armoring and native soil layers will absorb a majority of the stormwater and discharge from the waste pile is not anticipated. A stormwater and hydrology analysis is included in Appendix C.3.

3.5 Construction Documents and CQA

Final construction documents will be prepared and submitted at least 60 days prior to closure. A registered Civil Engineer or Certified Engineering Geologist in the State of California will supervise the preparation of final construction drawings, specifications, and a construction quality assurance plan. Appendix D includes a Construction Quality Assurance (CQA) Plan that addresses the closure design described in the Final Closure Plan. This plan may be modified during the preparation of the final closure documents to address final construction plans.

CQA will be implemented during closure to verify that the construction complies with approved construction drawings, specifications, and the CQA Plan. The CQA activities will be completed under the supervision of a Registered Civil Engineer or Certified Engineering Geologist in the State of California as required by Title 27 CCR.